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Docket No. 6175-16

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Preliminary Amendment

Non-Publication Request

Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449

The prior application is assigned to:

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is a utility patent application Of: Kirk D. Haller, Gary W. Amadon, Robert D. Noftle, David J. Corcoran For: Automated Connections of Computer-Aided Design Components ENCLOSED are the following: M 1. Specification, abstract and claims (28 pages) 2. M 16 sheets of formal informal drawings (Figs. 1-16) Suggested Figure for Publication: 3. Declaration unsigned Copy from a prior application (for continuation/divisional) 4. **Application Data Sheet**

Assignment and Assignment Recordation sheet (Fee calculated separately)

The assignment was recorded on ____at reel ___ and frame ____.

A copy of the assignment from the prior application is enclosed.

12. An Extension of time is filed concurrently herewith for the parent application.

13. Small Entity Status:

Small entity status claimed in the parent application is no longer proper				
14. Applicants claim priority from the following applications(s) under 35 U.S.	Applicants claim priority from the following applications(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 119:			
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15. Cancel claimsprior to calculation of the filing fee.				

FILING FEE: calculated below (after accounting for any preliminary amendment or claims cancellations if noted above):

Basic Filing Fee			\$710.00
Total No. Claims	Extra Claims(Total-20)	Fee / claim	
29	9	\$18.00	\$162.00
Total No. Independent Claims 5	Extra Independ.(No3) 2	Fee / claim \$80.00	\$160.00
Multiple dependent claim?	+ \$280		\$0
Sub-Total			\$710.00
Small Entity?	less 50%		0
TOTAL FEE DUE			
			\$1,032.00

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